

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING

DOCKET NO. 2012-177-WS

APPLICATION OF TEGA CAY WATER SERVICE, INC. FOR ADJUSTMENT OF RATES AND CHARGES AND MODIFICATIONS TO CERTAIN TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE PROVISION OF WATER AND SEWER SERVICE

On August 8, 2012, Tega Cay Water Service, Inc. ("Tega Cay" or "Company") filed an Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") for an adjustment of the Company's rates and charges and modification of certain terms and conditions for the provision of water and sewer service. Tega Cay is a public utility, as defined by S. C. Code Ann. § 58-5-10(4), providing water and sewer service to the public for compensation in certain areas of South Carolina pursuant to rates approved by the Commission in Docket No. 2009-473-WS.

Pursuant to S. C. Code Ann. § 58-5-240 and 26 S. C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-512.4.A and 103-712.4.A, the Company requests that the Commission approve an increase in its monthly water and sewer service rates. Pursuant to 26 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-703 (1976), Applicant further proposes a modification to the terms and conditions for the provision of water service to provide that water used through a fire hydrant for the purposes of flushing or fire fighting is not required to be metered

In support of its request for an adjustment in the Company's water and sewer rates, terms and conditions, Tega Cay asserts, among other things, that the proposed water and sewer rate increases are necessary in order that it may provide reasonable and adequate service to its customers, comply with standards and regulations set by the Department of Health and Environmental Control and other governmental agencies which regulate the environmental aspect of the Company's business, cover its expenses, earn a reasonable return on its investment, and attract capital for future improvements. The Company also asserts that the proposed water and sewer rate increases are necessary to preserve its financial integrity and to permit continued investment in and maintenance of its facilities so as to provide reliable and high quality services.

THE PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE RATES AND CHARGES ARE SET FORTH BELOW(The complete rate schedule is available from the Company at the address below and on the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov) under Docket No. 2012-177-WS

WATER

Monthly Charges Residential (per single family house, condominium, mobile home, or apartment unit) Charge for Water Distribution Only	Current	Proposed
<u>Residential</u> Basic Facilities Charge Commodity Charge	\$8.71 per unit* \$2.06 per 1,000 gallons or 134 cft	\$11.85 per unit \$2.75 per 1,000 gallons or 134 cft
*Residential customers with meters of 1" or larger will be charged commercial rate		
<u>Commercial</u> Basic Facilities Charge Per single family equivalent (SFE) Commodity Charge	\$8.71 \$2.06 per 1,000 gallons or 134 cft	\$11.85 \$2.75 per 1,000 gallons or 134 cft
Annual Fire Hydrant Fee	\$117.23 per hydrant per year	\$135.48 per year per hydrant

SEWER

Monthly Charges Residential monthly charge Per single-family house, condominium, villa, mobile home or apartment unit	Current	Proposed
	\$39.06 per unit	\$65.19 per unit
Commercial – monthly charge	\$39.06 per SFE*	\$65.19 per SFE

*A Single Family Equivalent (SFE) shall be determined by using the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control Guidelines for Unit Contributory Loading for Domestic Wastewater Treatment Facilities – 25 S. C. Code Ann. Regs. 61-67 Appendix A, as may be amended from time to time. Where applicable, such guidelines shall be used for determination of the appropriate monthly service and tap fee.

A copy of the Application is on file in the offices of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina, 101 Executive Center Drive, Synergy Business Park, Columbia, South Carolina 29210, the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov and is available from Charles L. A. Terreni, Esquire, TERRENI LAW FIRM, LLC, 1508 Lady Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201.

In order for testimony and evidence to be received from all interested parties, a public hearing will be held in the Commission's Hearing Room, Synergy Business Park, 101 Executive Center Dr., Columbia, South Carolina on **Tuesday, January 8, 2013 at 9:30 a.m.**

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, on or before **September 21, 2012** and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please include an email address for receipt of future Commission correspondence in the Petition to Intervene. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2012-177-WS.***

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify the Clerk's Office, in writing, at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff, 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201, and Charles L. A. Terreni, Esquire, Terreni Law Firm LLC, 1508 Lady Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201 on or before **September 21, 2012** and indicate the amount of time required for the presentation. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2012-177-WS.***

Any person who wishes to request a hearing in his or her county of residence should notify on or before October 5, 2012, in writing, the Clerk's Office at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff, 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201, and Charles L. A. Terreni, Terreni Law Firm, LLC, 1508 Lady Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2012-177-WS.***

Any person who wishes to be notified of any change in the hearing date, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Clerk's Office in writing at the address below on or before **September 21, 2012**. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2012-177-WS.***

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission in Columbia at 803-896-5100.

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